

Enabling cosmology with kSZ using FRBs

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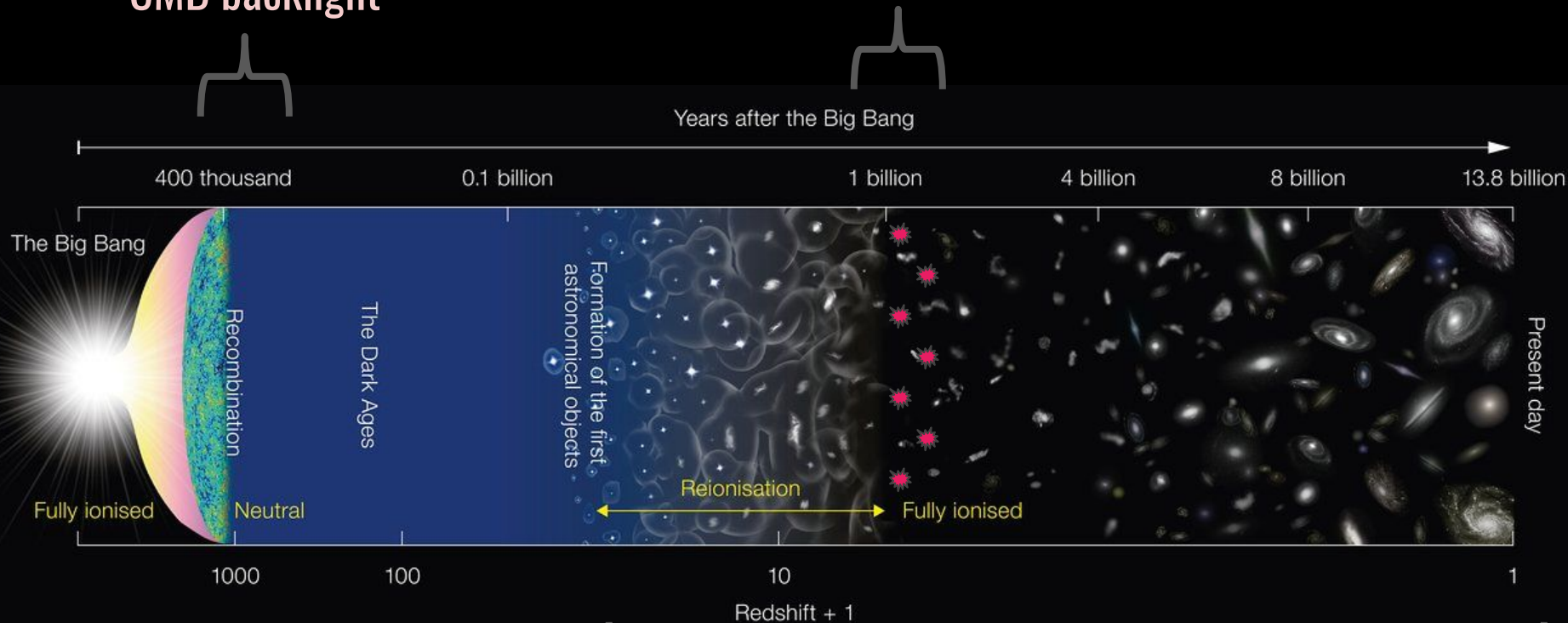
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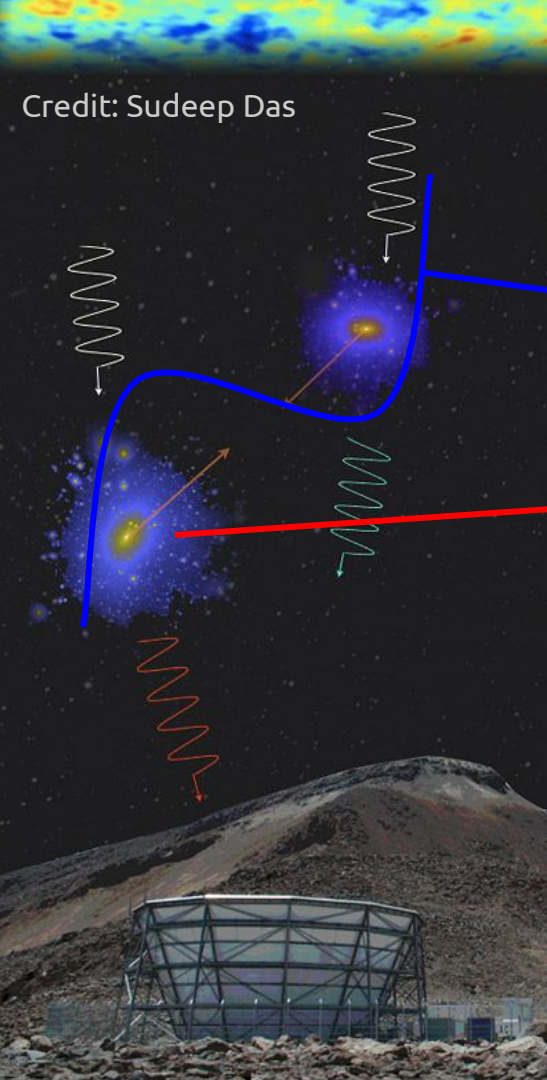
CMB backlight

FRB backlight?



Lots of (moving) free electrons

Credit: Sudeep Das

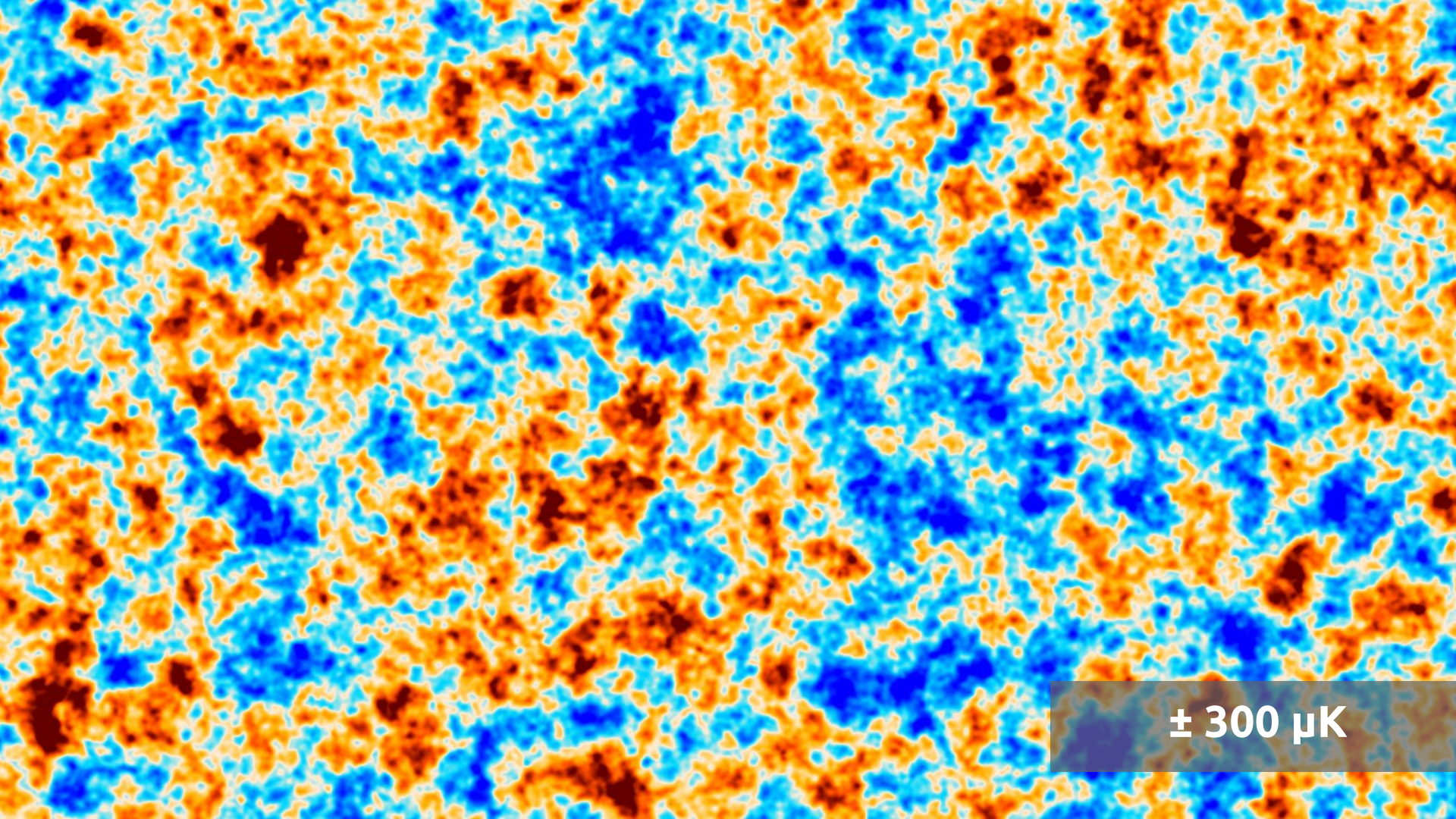


kSZ: Doppler shift of CMB photons scattering off electrons with bulk velocity

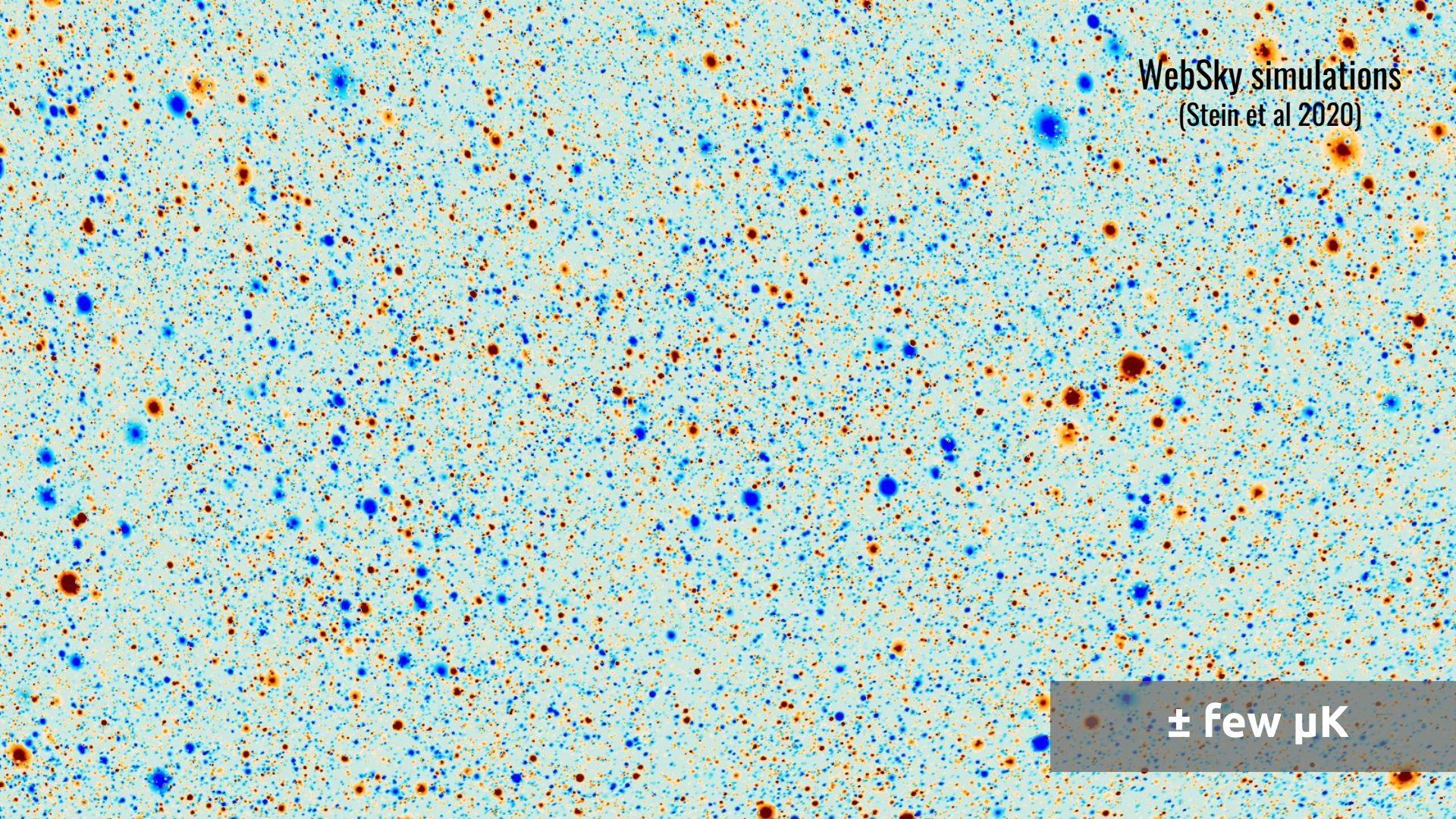
$$\frac{\Delta T_{\text{kSZ}}(\vec{n})}{T_{\text{CMB}}} \sim \int d\chi e^{-\tau(z)} v_r \delta_e(\vec{n}, \chi)$$

Contributions from

1. Reionization (from first stars) $6 < z < 20$
2. **Ionized gas in and between clusters $0 < z < 6$**

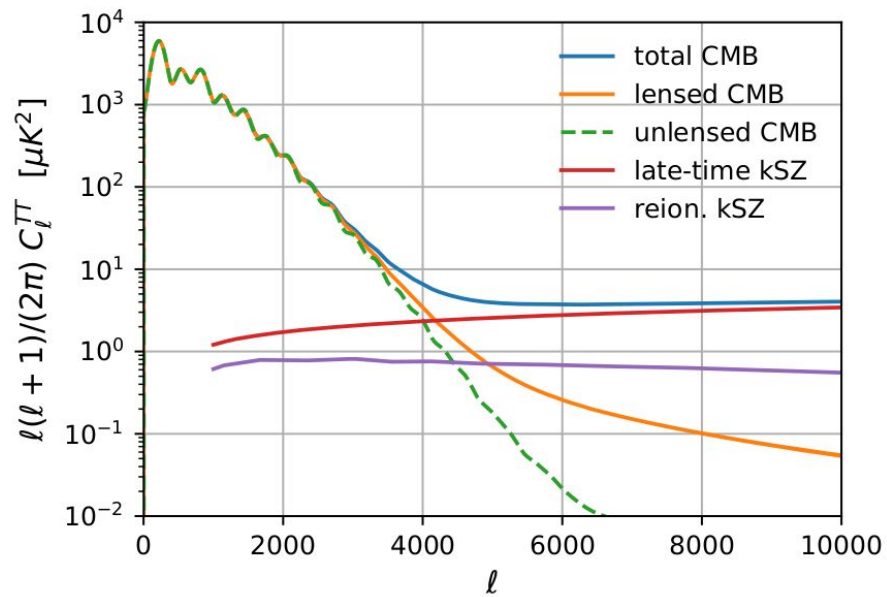


$\pm 300 \mu\text{K}$

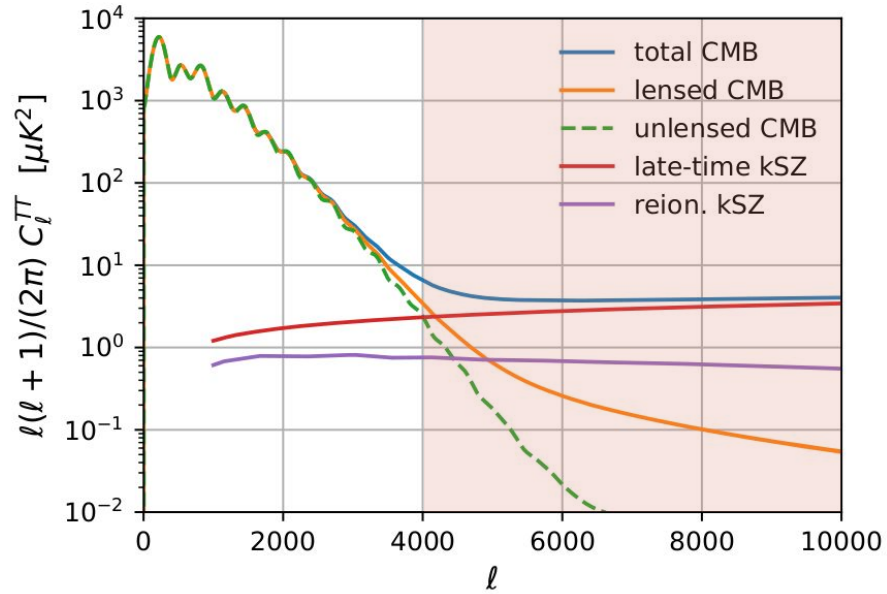


WebSky simulations
(Stein et al 2020)

\pm few μ K



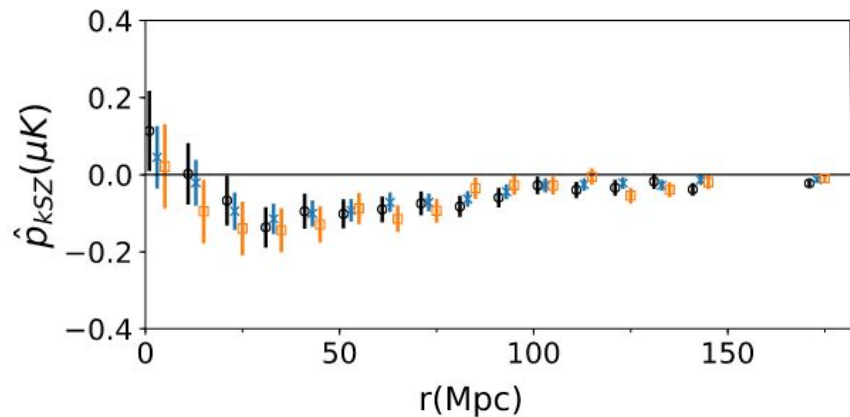
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Modes to be explored by Advanced ACT, SPT-3G, Simons Observatory, CMB-S4

ACT x BOSS, Hand++ '12,
Calafut++ '21



Also:

ACT x redMaPPer, de Bernardis++ '16

SPT x DES, Soergel++ '16

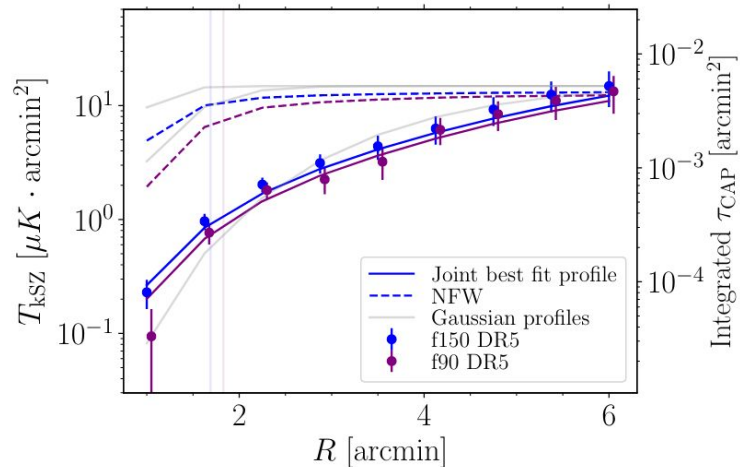
Planck x SDSS, '15

ACT x BOSS, Schaan++ '15,
Schaan++ '20, Amodeo++ '20

CMASS kSZ profile

Comoving radius [Mpc/h] at $z = 0.55$

0.83 1.67 2.5



See also: Planck x WISE, Hill++ '16

Currently detected only at the **<10 sigma** level

But expected to improve quickly with (deeper) CMB x galaxy overlap!

SNR $O(100-1000)$ expected!

What can we learn with the kSZ effect?

$$\frac{\Delta T_{\text{kSZ}}(\mathbf{n})}{T_{\text{CMB}}} \sim \int d\chi e^{-\tau(z)} \delta_e(\mathbf{n}, \chi) v_r$$

Reionization

(Smith+ '17, Ferraro+ '18)

Missing baryons

(Lim+ '17, Hernández-Monteagudo+ '15)

Halo energetics and feedback

(Battaglia+ '18)

Astrophysics

Large scale anomalies?

(e.g. Terrana+ '16)

Growth of structure?

Growth rate?

(e.g. Alonso+ '16)

Neutrino mass?

(Mueller+ '14)

Dark energy?

(Mueller+ '13)

+++ ...?

Cosmology?

What cosmology can kSZ potentially constrain?

$$\frac{\Delta T_{\text{kSZ}}(\mathbf{n})}{T_{\text{CMB}}} \sim \int d\chi e^{-\tau(z)} \delta_e(\mathbf{n}, \chi) v_r$$

- **Unbiased density modes** inferred from velocities

$$v \approx \frac{faH}{k} \delta_m$$

- Velocities respond to **growth rate f** -> neutrino mass, dark energy, modified gravity

E.g Mueller+ '14
Alonso+ '16

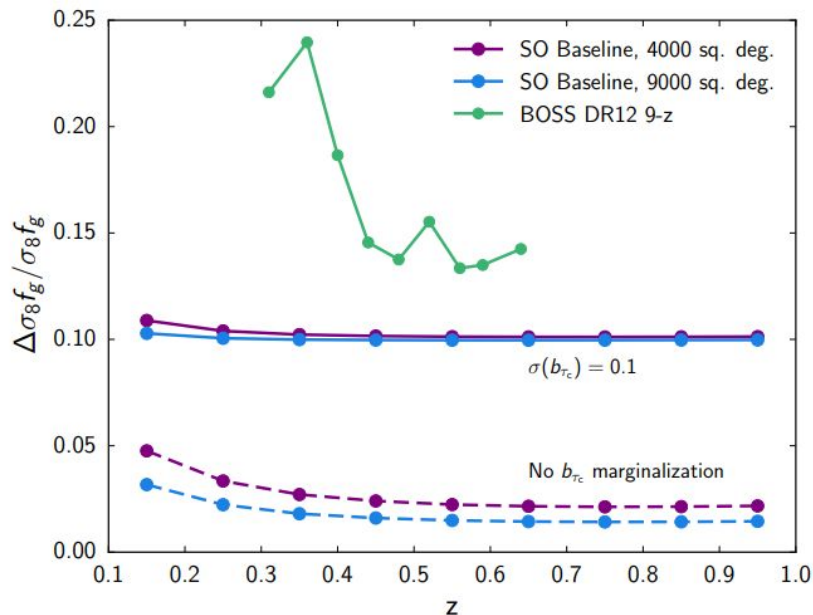
Astrophysics complicates this a bit

- Notorious “cluster optical depth”
- A catch-all term that includes our uncertainty about
 - Number density of electrons in halos associated with galaxies
 - Shape of the electron profile

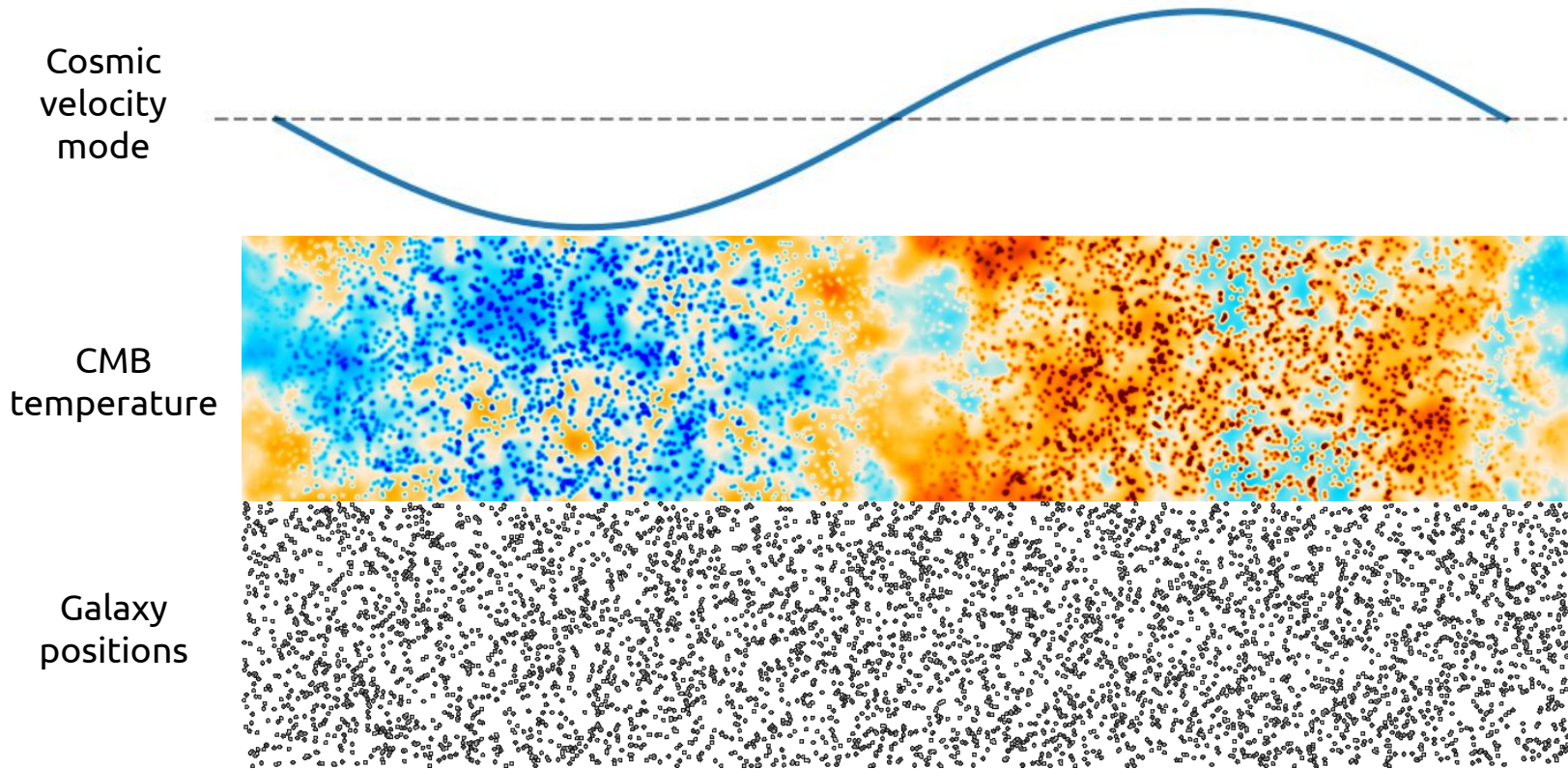
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But I'll show that this does **not** make it impossible to do interesting cosmology with kSZ!

arXiv:1808.07445 SO Collab. produced by **Victoria Calafut**



Squeezed bispectrum cartoon: kSZ



Velocities from modulation of late-time kSZ cross-power with galaxies

The image displays a vast field of simulated stars, likely generated by the WebSky/CITA project. The stars are represented as small, distinct points of light in various colors, including bright blue, orange, red, and yellow, scattered across a light blue background. The distribution is dense and uniform, suggesting a large-scale simulation of a star field. The text "WebSky/CITA simulations" is located in the upper right corner of the image.

WebSky/CITA simulations

Velocity Reconstruction Framework

- Average over quadratic pairs of modes -- effectively look for modulation of galaxy x CMB temperature power

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{v}_{\text{rec}}(k_L) &\sim \langle \delta_g T \rangle_{k_S} \\ &\sim \langle \delta_g(k_S) [\delta_e(k_S) v(k_L)] \rangle_{k_S} \\ &\sim \langle \delta_g(k_S) \delta_e(k_S) \rangle_{k_S} v(k_L) \\ &\sim v(k_L) \underbrace{\int}_{\text{Cosmology}} \underbrace{dk_S w(k_S) P_{ge}(k_S)}_{\text{Astrophysics}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\left(T_{\text{KSZ}} \sim \delta_e v \right)$$

Scale-independent
number \mathbf{b}_v

After velocity reconstruction, we have two probes of matter density

$$v = \frac{b_v f a H}{k} \delta_m$$

With some
reconstruction noise

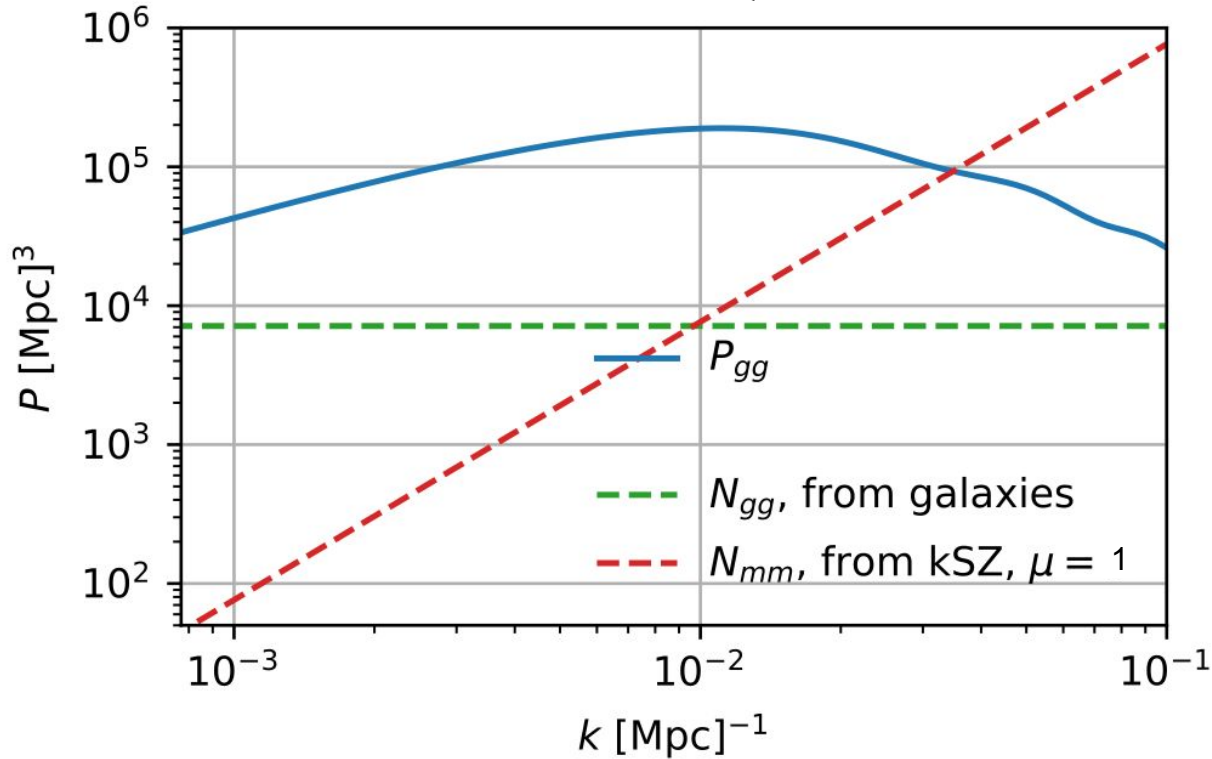
$$\delta_g = b_g \delta_m$$

With some shot noise

How does the noise compare between velocities and galaxies?

Squeezed limit noise is white

Convert noise on velocity to noise on matter density with k^2



$$\delta_g = b_g \delta_m$$

$$v = \frac{faH}{k} \delta_m$$

kSZ Velocities outperform galaxy clustering at large scales!

Recap

kSZ tomography measures the **largest scale density modes**

Up to an unknown **scale-independent** normalization (“tau”) that depends on $P_{ge}(k_S)$

With much lower noise than galaxy surveys!

Both galaxy and velocity surveys are signal dominated and hence sample variance limited on large scales:

This allows 2-3x improvement on fNL (local primordial non-Gaussianity) *despite unknown optical depth*

Munchmeyer, MM + 2018

Growth rate amplitude? (f)

MM++ 2019 arXiv:1901.02418

Nick
Battaglia



Kendrick
Smith



Jon
Sievers



What about the amplitude of the growth rate f ?

$f(k,z)$ constrains neutrino mass, dark energy, modified gravity

Amplitude $f(z)$ is degenerate with “optical depth” amplitude

$$v = \frac{b_v f a H}{k} \delta_m \quad b_v \sim \int dk_S w(k_S) P_{ge}(k_S)$$

Breaking this degeneracy requires an external measurement of **P_{ge}**

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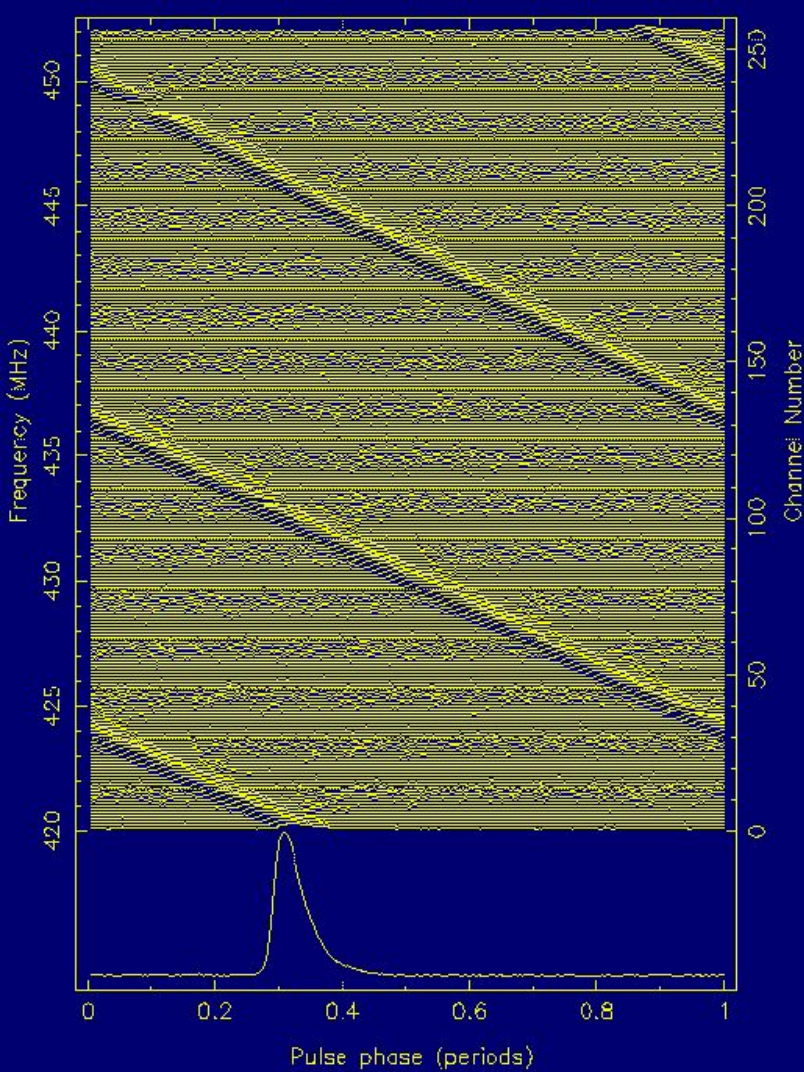
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Possibility:

Dispersion measures of Fast Radio Bursts (FRBs)



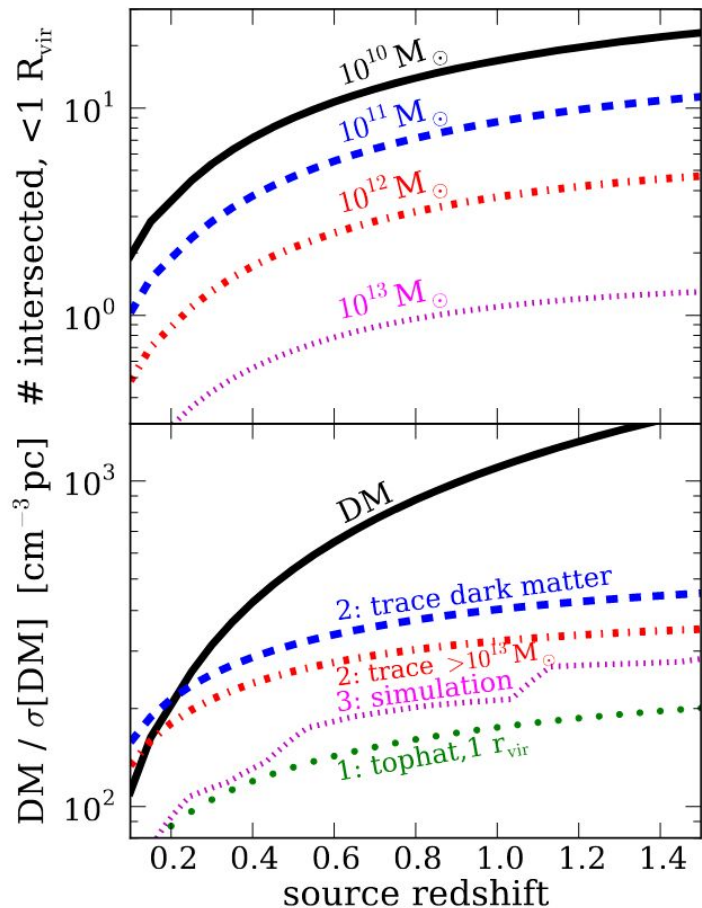
Radio waves from energetic sources interact with intervening ionized matter and undergo dispersion

$$\Delta t \sim \frac{DM}{\nu^2}$$

Higher frequencies push past free electrons and arrive earlier

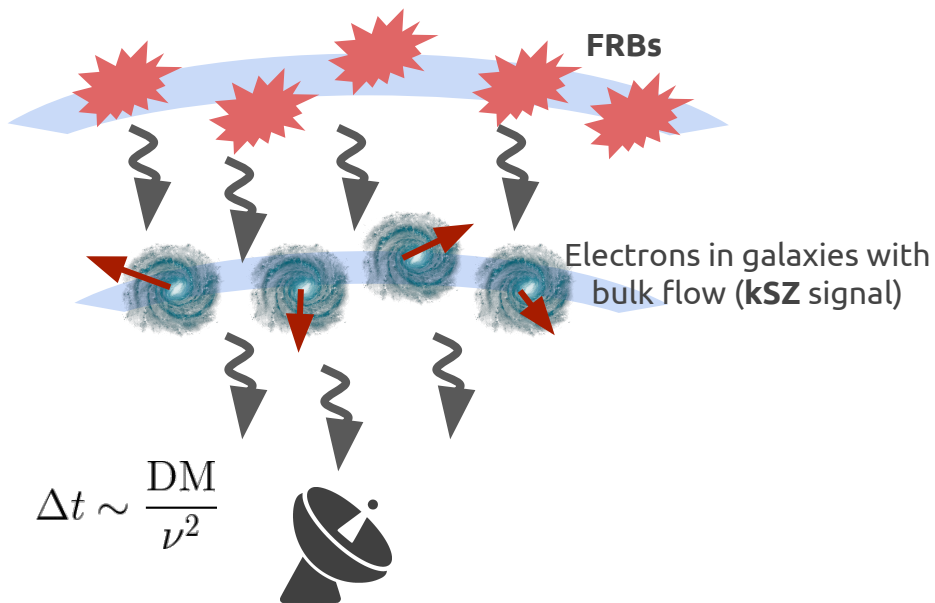
Potentially **large number** of energetic sources at cosmological distances - **FRBs**
CHIME is seeing lots (see Kendrick's talk)

Matthew McQuinn 2013



$$D(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) = n_{e0} \int_0^{\chi_f} d\chi (1+z)(1 + \delta_e(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, z))$$

- DM has contributions from source/host, intervening plasma and Milky Way
- We are interested in DM anisotropies due to free electrons in and around haos
- Probes otherwise shy "missing baryons"

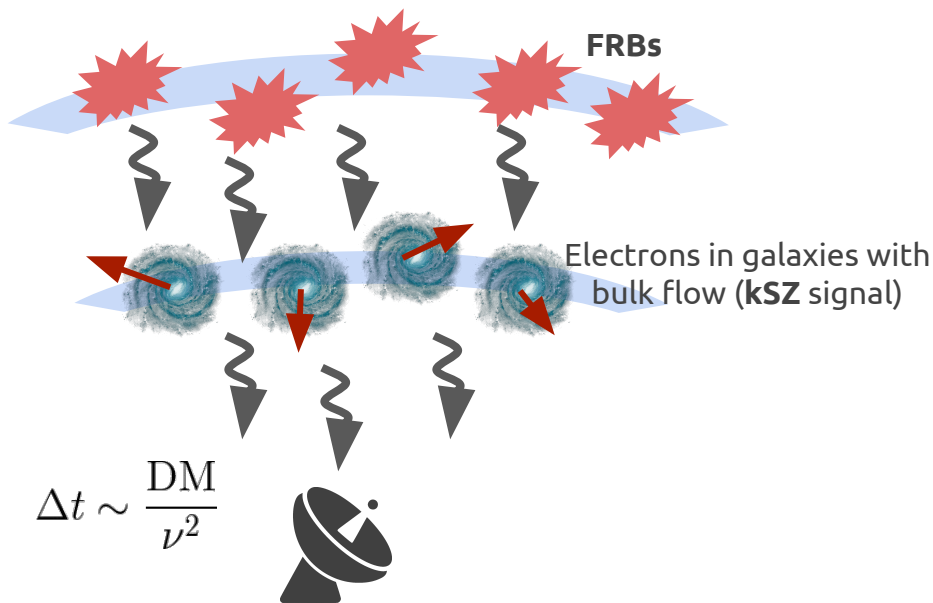


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Breaking tau with FRBs

MM, Battaglia, Smith, Sievers arxiv:1901.02418

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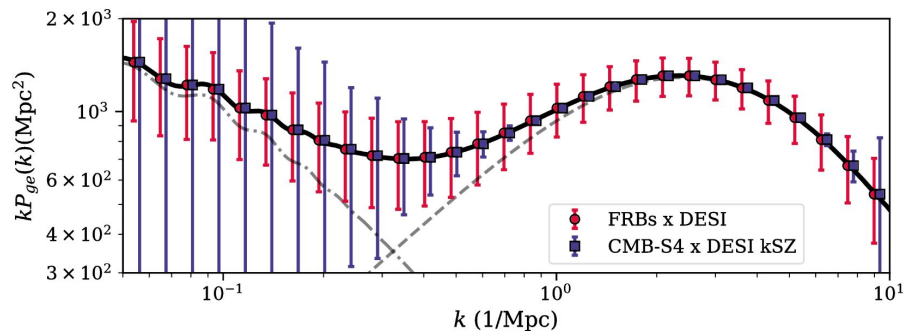
$$DM(\vec{\mathbf{n}}) \times \delta_g(\vec{\mathbf{n}}) \sim P_{ge}(k_S)$$

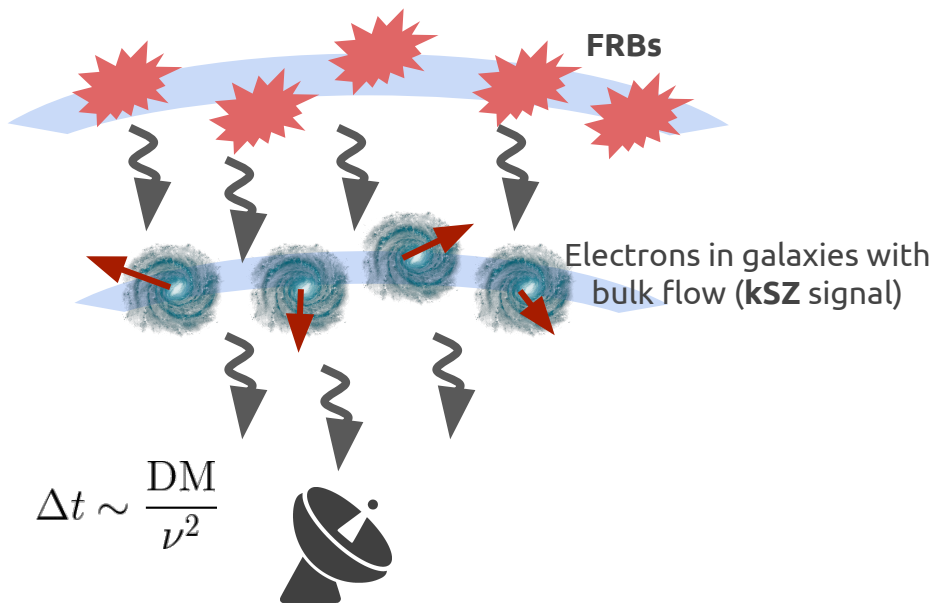
See *Alonso 2021* for recent updates to cosmological DM theory

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- Cross-correlate DMs with galaxies used in kSZ estimator

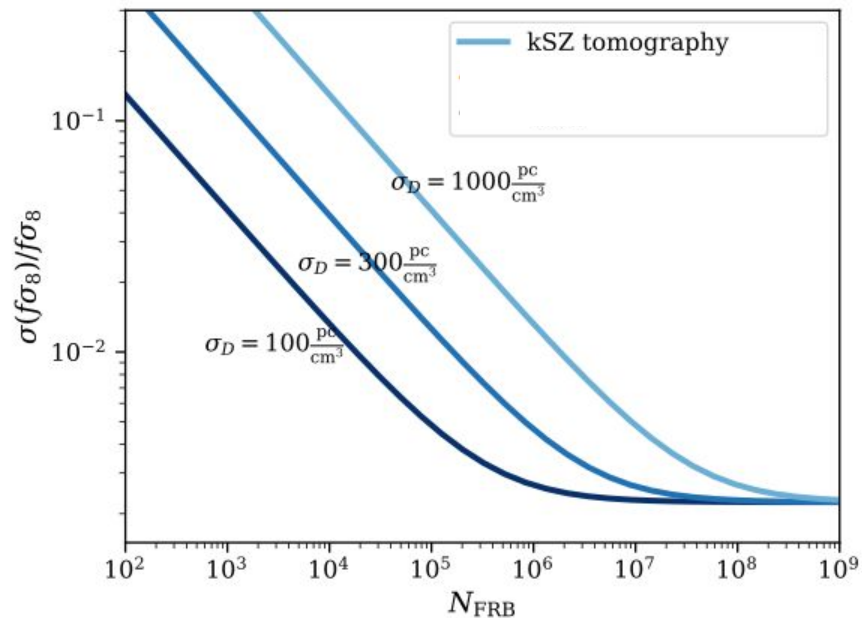




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Outlook

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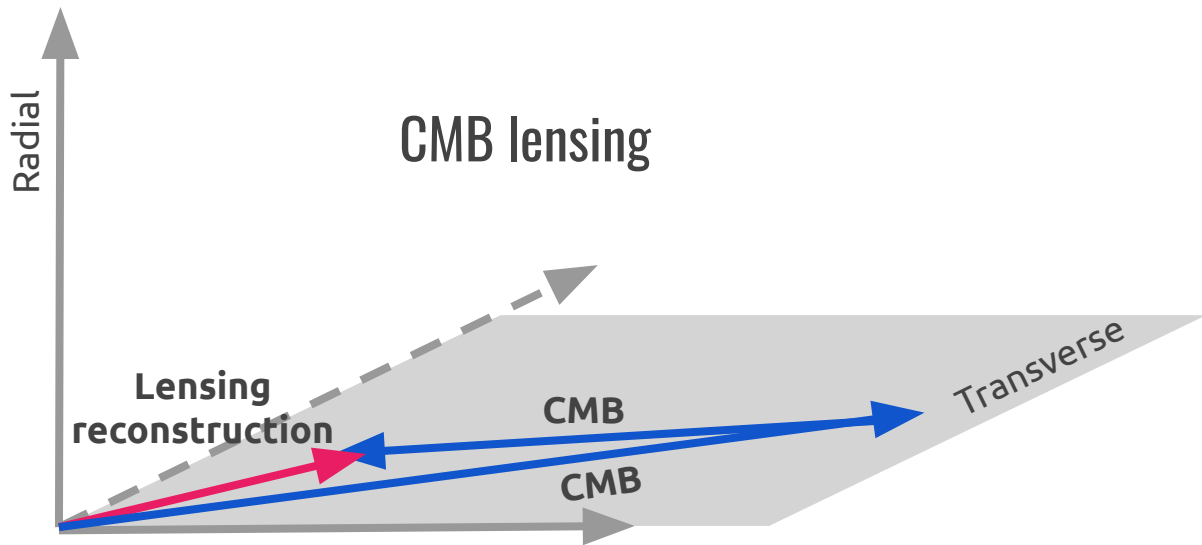
- Needs >1000 FRBs to do interesting science (number depends on scatter of DMs)
- Some redshift information needed, localization capabilities in radio instruments + follow-up and/or cross-correlations
e.g. Masoud Rafiei-Ravandi, Smith, Masui 2019
- Source clustering can affect DM x galaxy cross-correlation, but likely negligible
Alonso 2021
- Future experiments e.g. HIRAX, SKA-MID could find $O(10-100)$ per day -> catalogs of 10^{5-6} not unrealistic! (Maybe more in Kendrick's talk?)

Conclusion

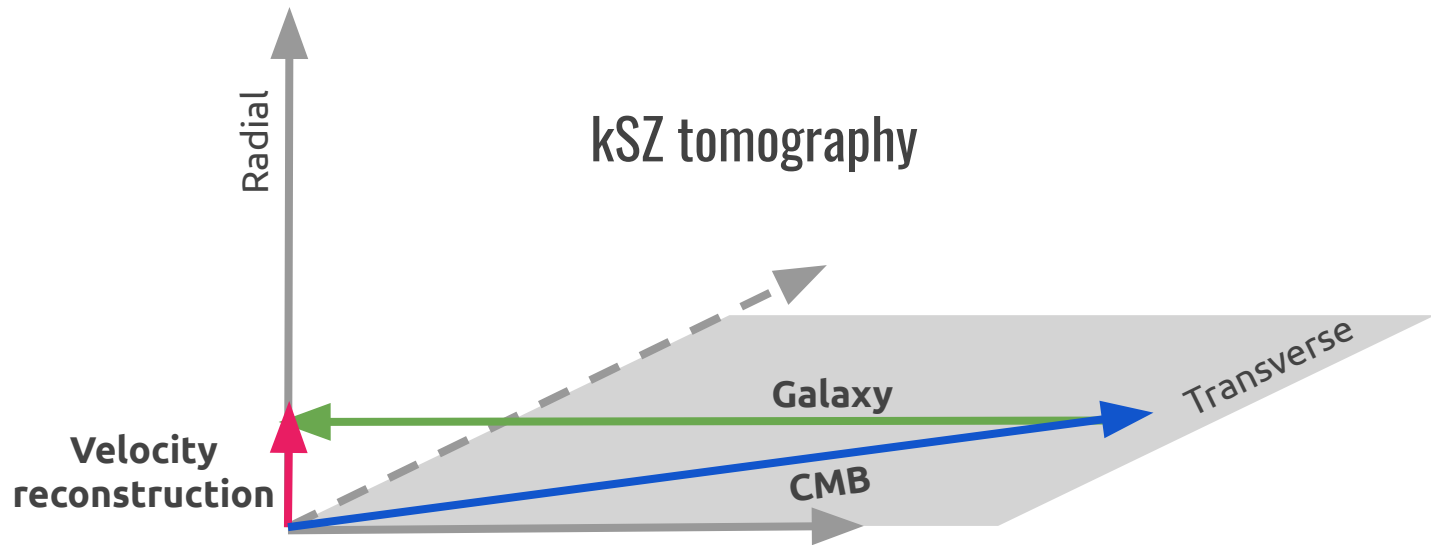
- Optical depth (τ) factors out as **scale-independent** uncertain amplitude
- kSZ velocity reconstruction does better than clustering at large scales
- Cosmological applications (*despite tau degeneracy*)
 - Improves non-Gaussianity $\sigma_8(fnl)$ through **scale-dependent bias** by 3x for CMB-S4 + LSST probing multi-field inflation, possibly other scale-dependent effects, e.g. dark energy perturbations
 - **Amplitude of growth** rate is perfectly degenerate with τ , but degeneracy can potentially be broken with localized **FRB** dispersion measures

Thank you!

Bonus slides

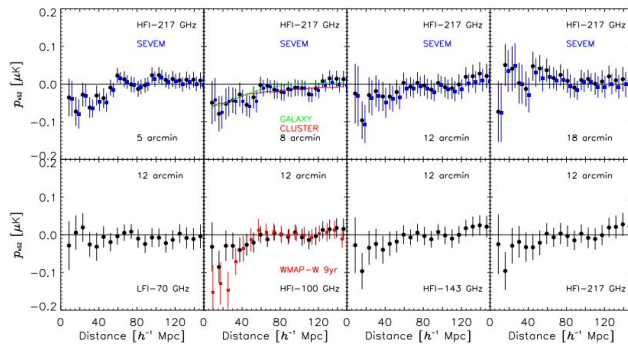
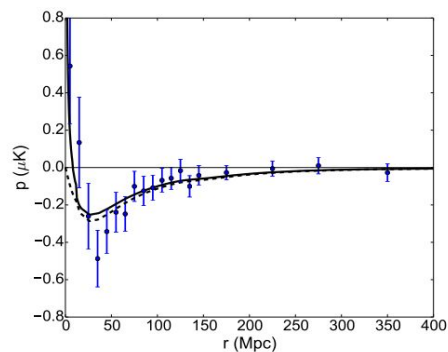
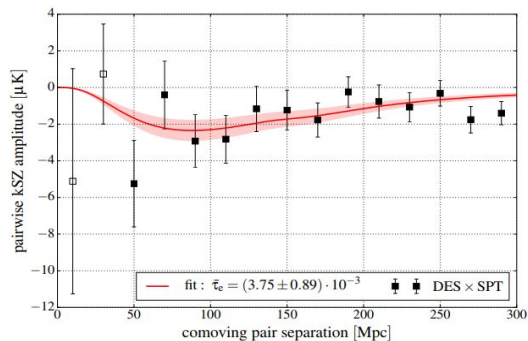
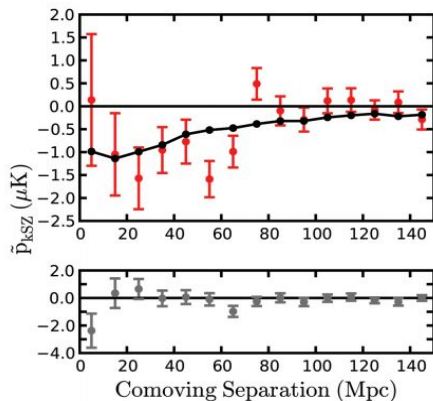


$$\hat{\phi}(L) = \langle TT \rangle_{\ell}$$



$$\langle v(k_L) \delta_g(k_S) T(\ell) \rangle$$

Bonus slide: pairwise kSZ detections

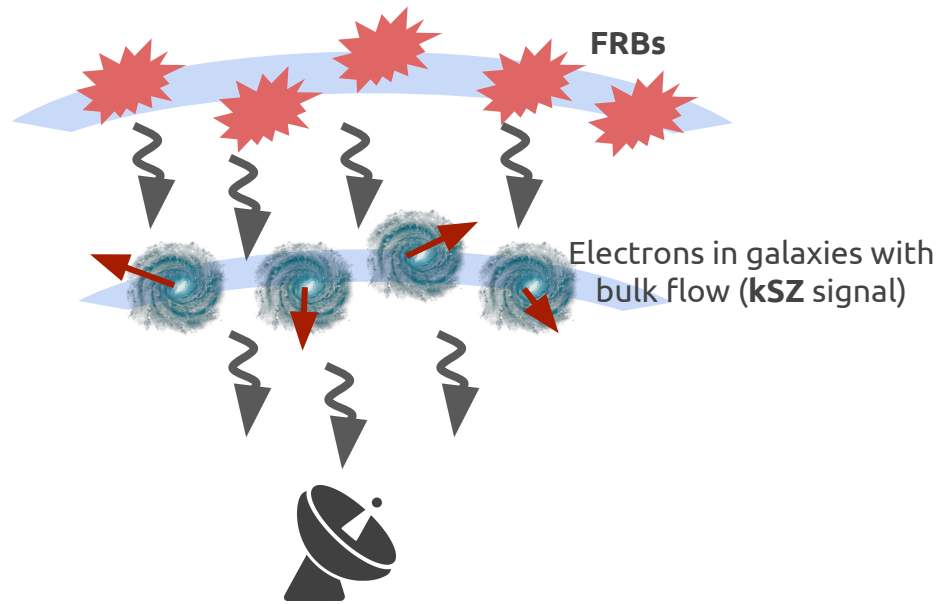


Step 2: cross-correlate velocity with galaxy pos.

$$\langle \hat{v} \delta_g \rangle = \langle \langle \delta_g T \rangle_{k_S} \delta_g \rangle \sim \langle \langle \delta_g (v \delta_e) \rangle_{k_S} \delta_g \rangle$$

$$\sim \underbrace{P_{gv}(k_L)}_{\text{Cosmology}} \int \underbrace{dk_S P_{ge}(k_S)}_{\text{Astrophysics}}$$

Astrophysics
Scale-independent
number



New application: primordial non-Gaussianity (f_{NL})

Munchmeyer, MM++ 2018 arXiv:1810.13424

Moritz
Munchmeyer



Simone
Ferarro

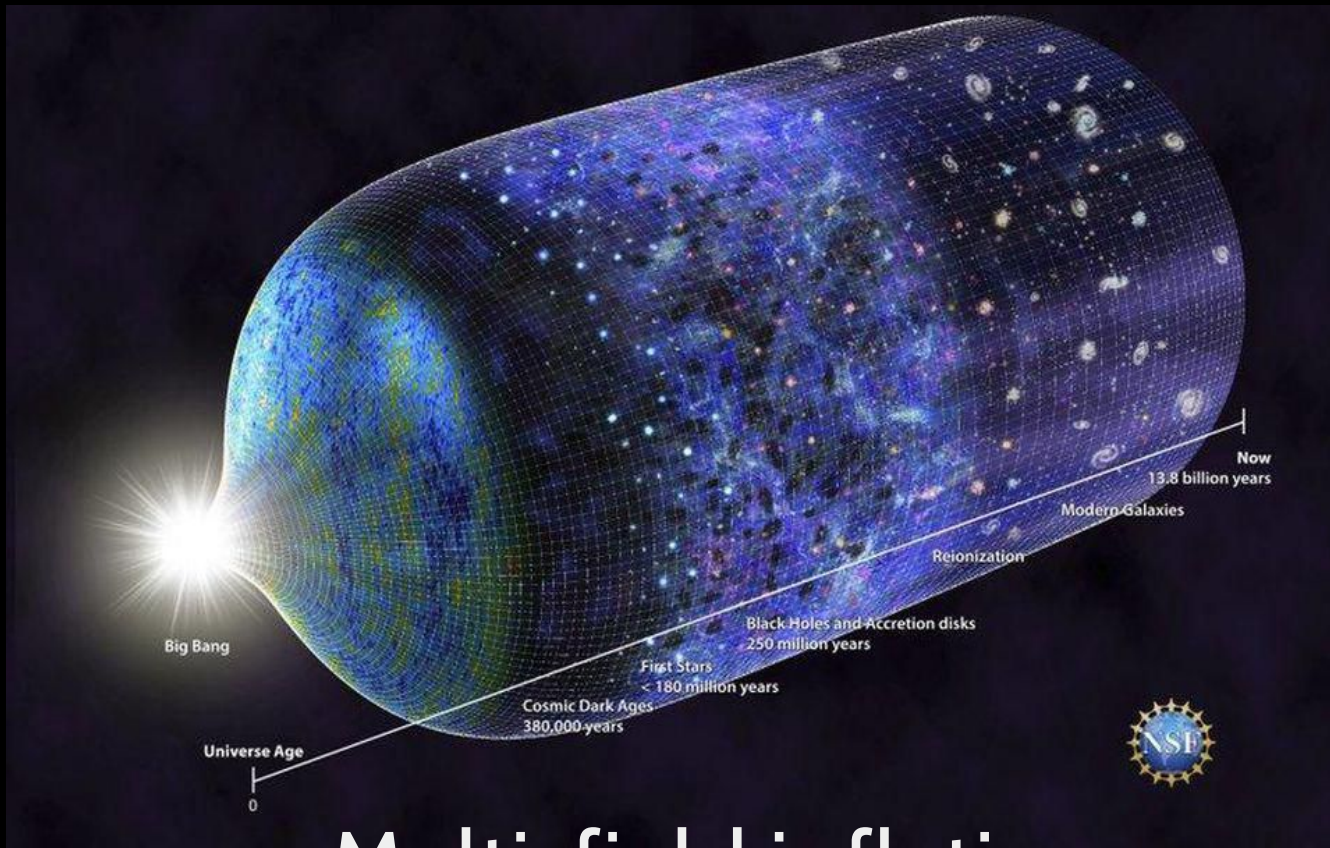


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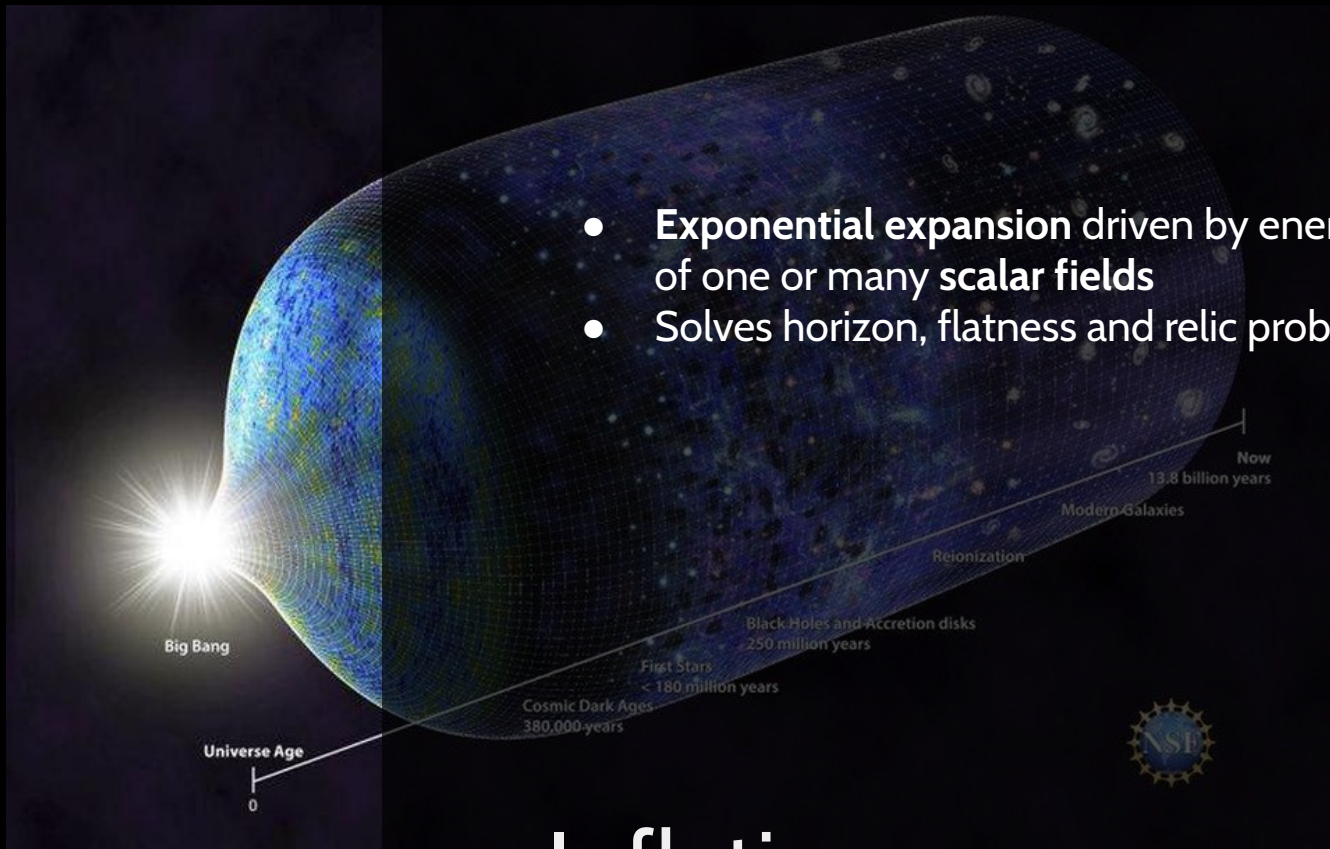


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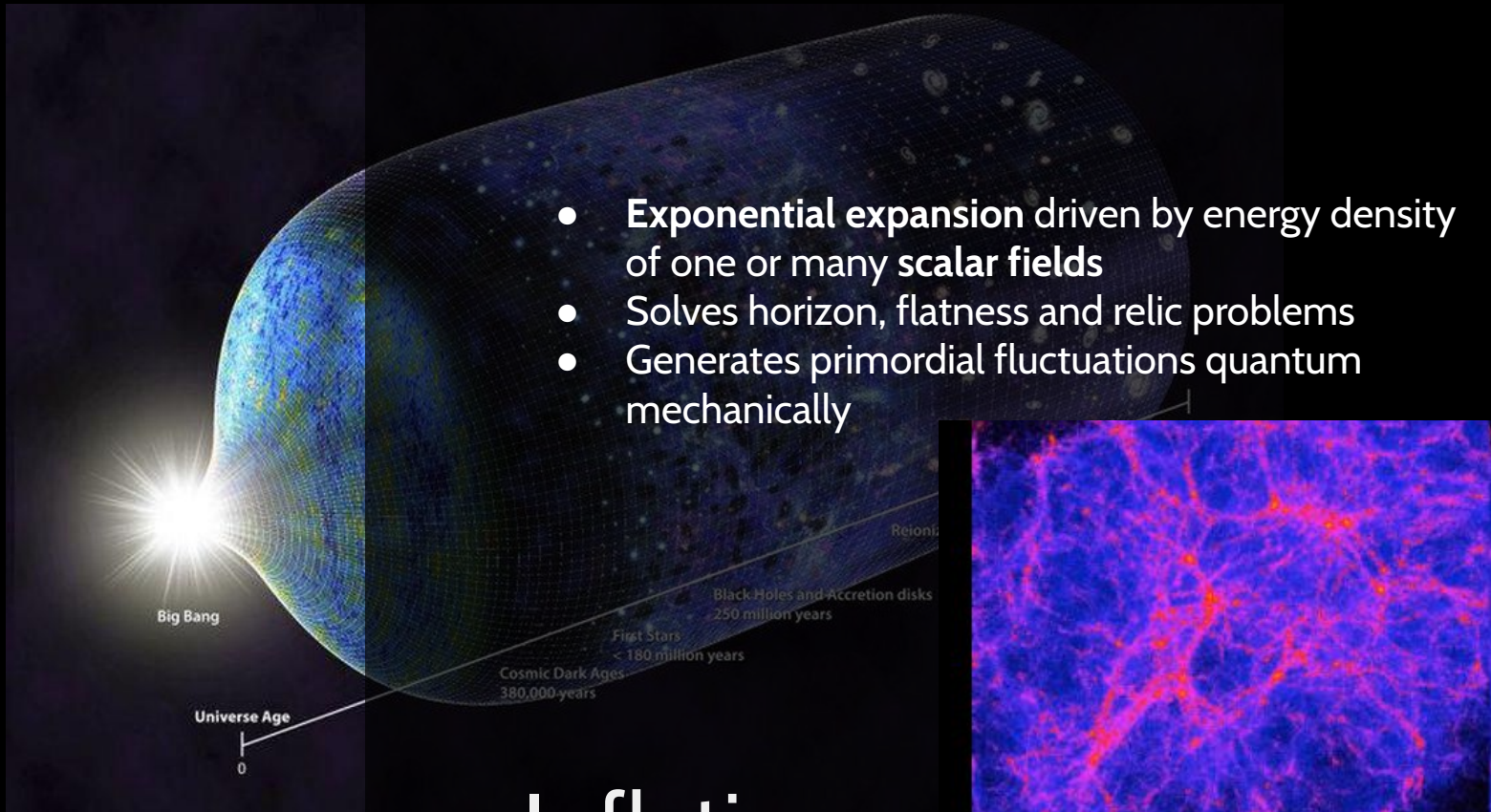


Multi-field inflation



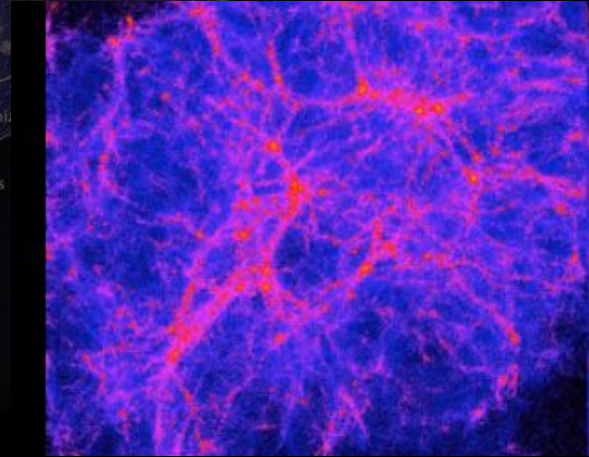
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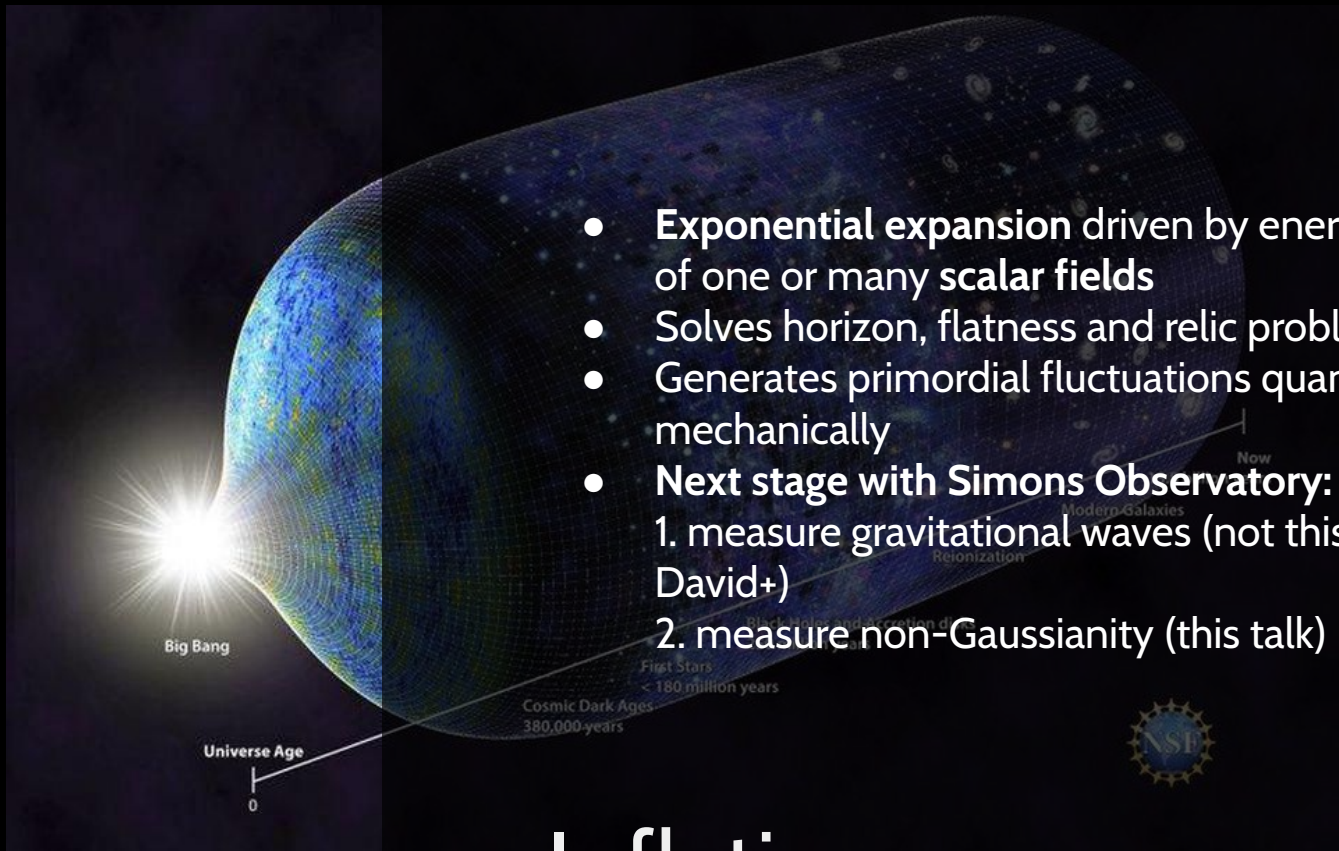
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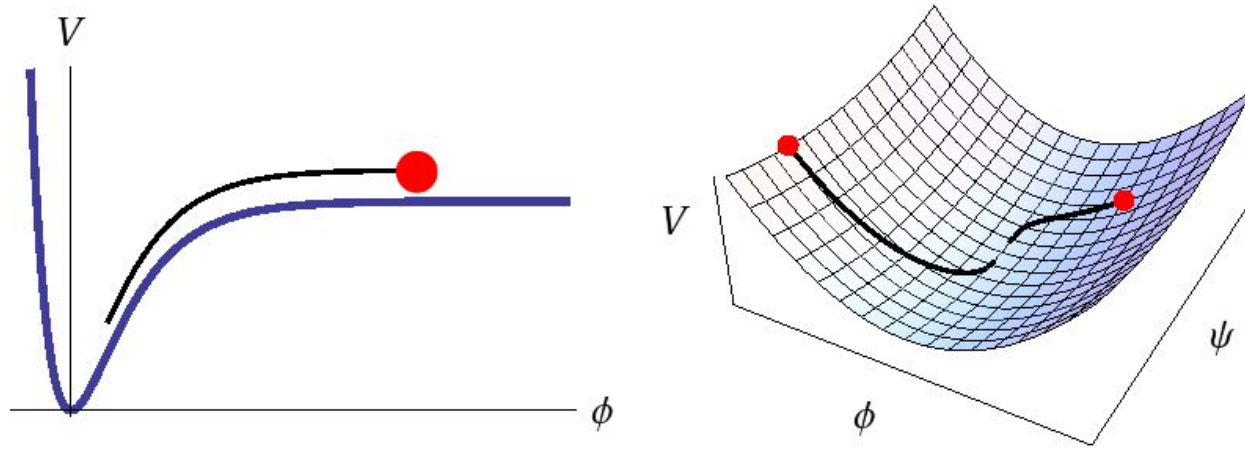
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- **Next stage with Simons Observatory:**
 1. measure gravitational waves (not this talk! Ask David+)
 2. measure non-Gaussianity (this talk)

Inflation

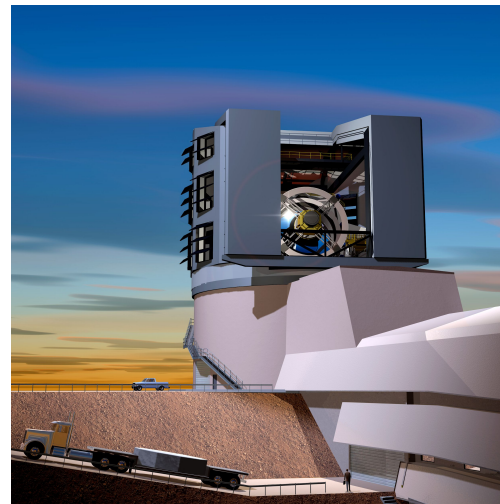
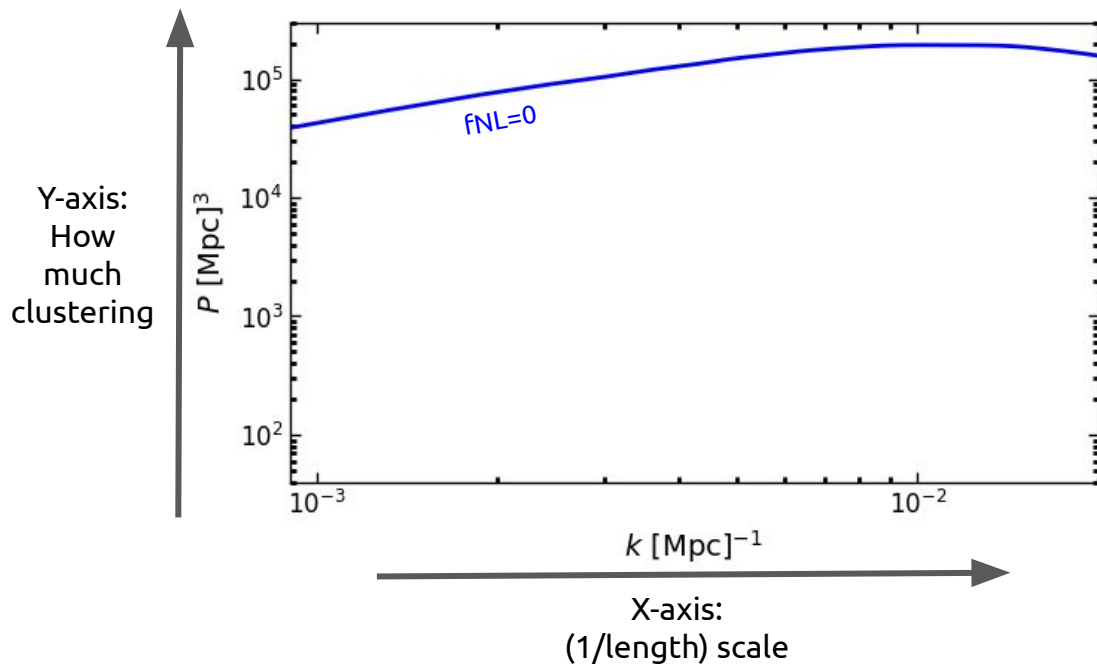


- Inflation driven by energy density of one or many **scalar fields**
- Current measurements (Planck CMB) consistent with single field
- Multiple fields naturally motivated by e.g. string theory
 - Predicts possibly detectable amounts of departure from Gaussianity
 - This shows up as **excess clustering of galaxies** on the largest scales

Dalal et al 2007

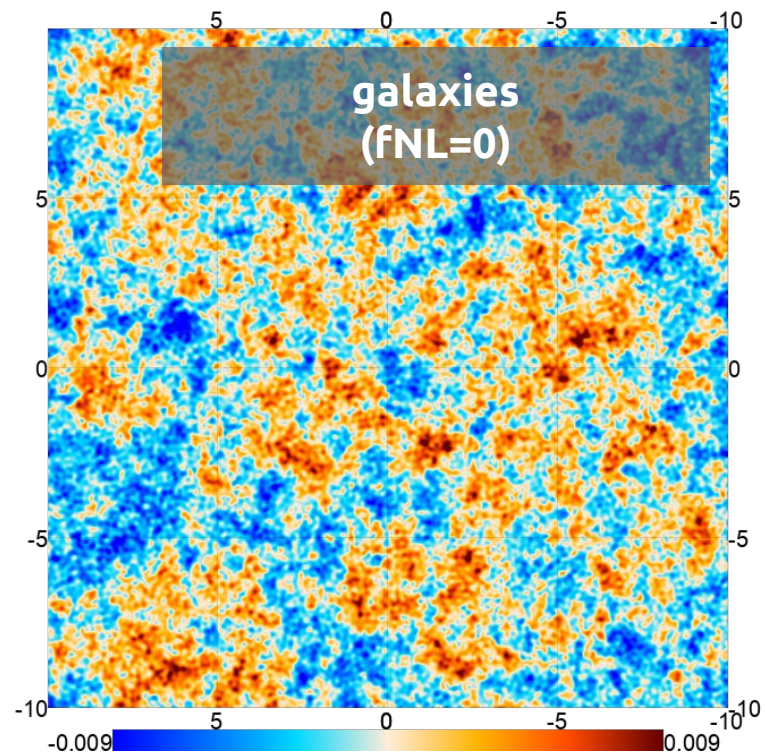
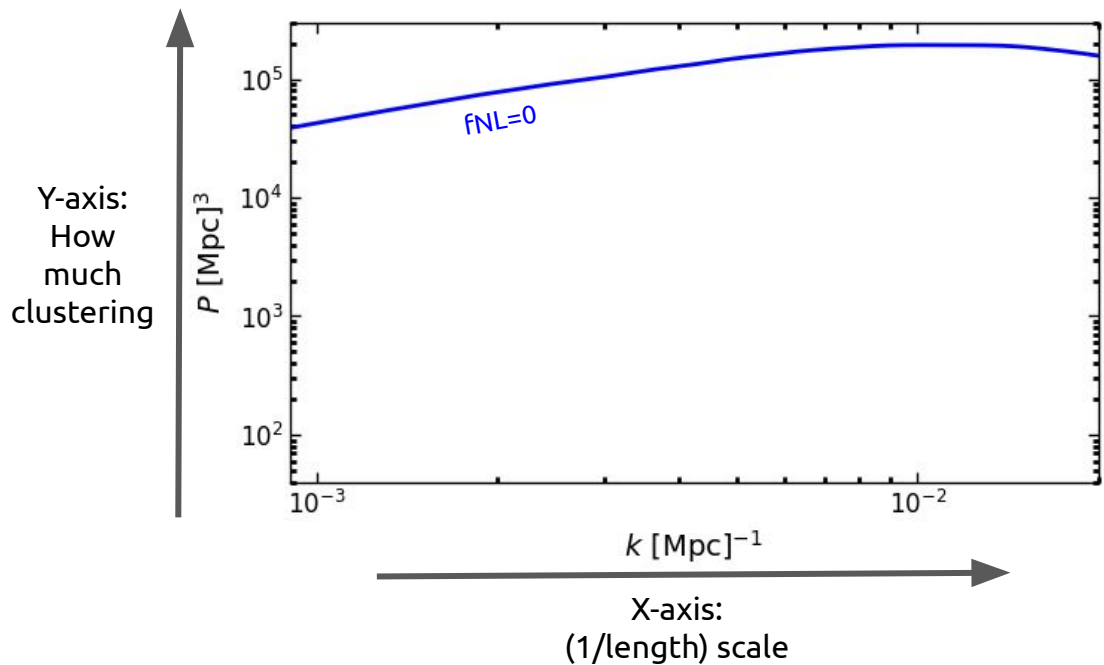
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Galaxy surveys like Rubin/LSST measure clustering

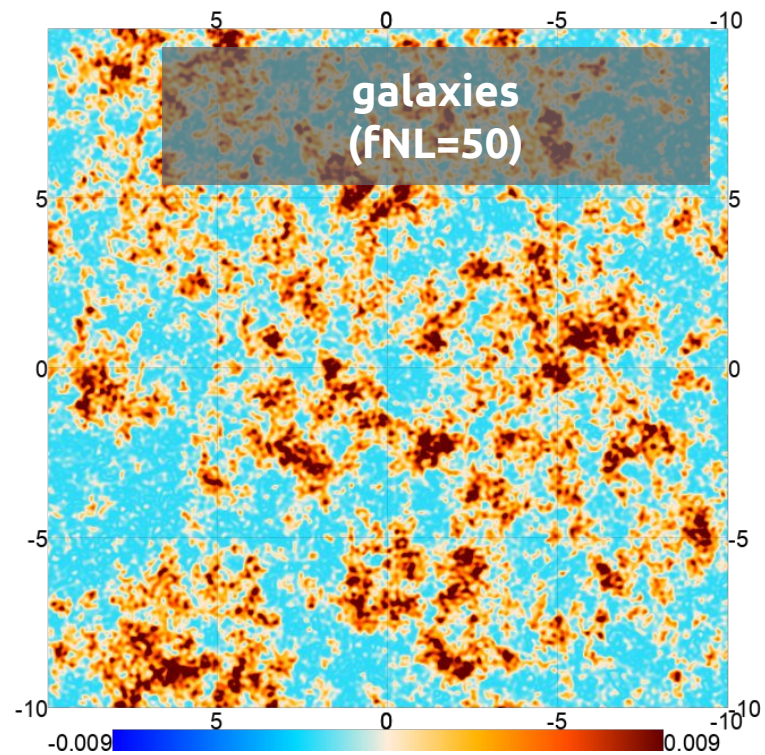
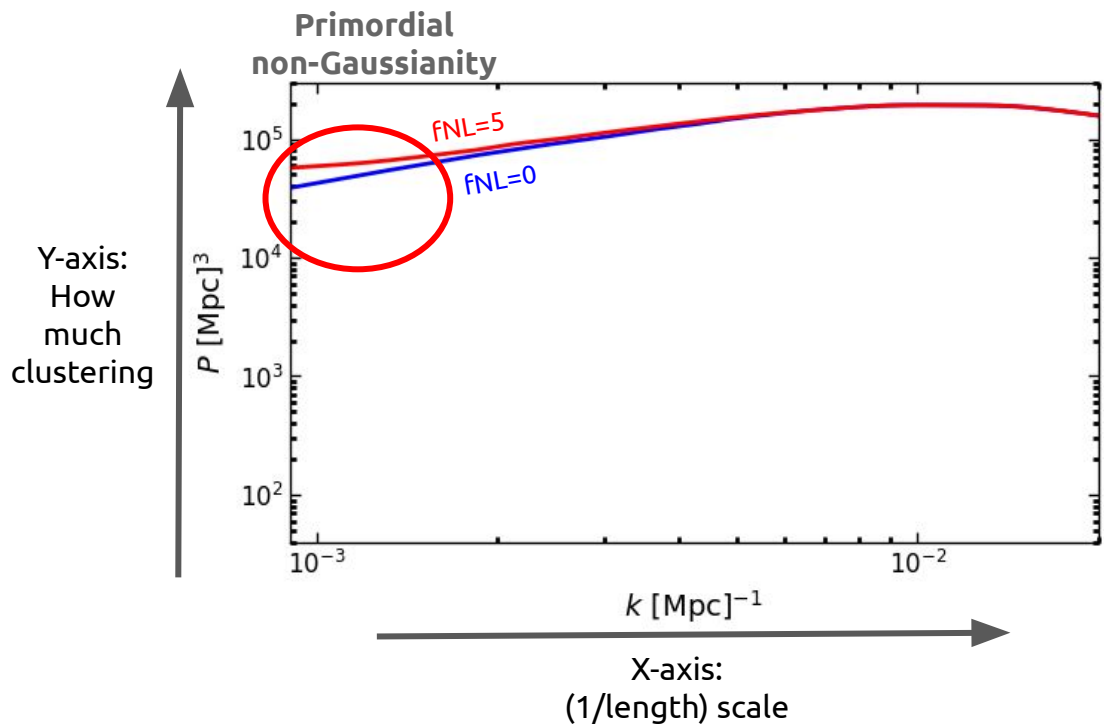


Vera Rubin Observatory
LSST survey
Beginning in a couple of years
Several billion galaxies
Galaxies cluster with dark matter

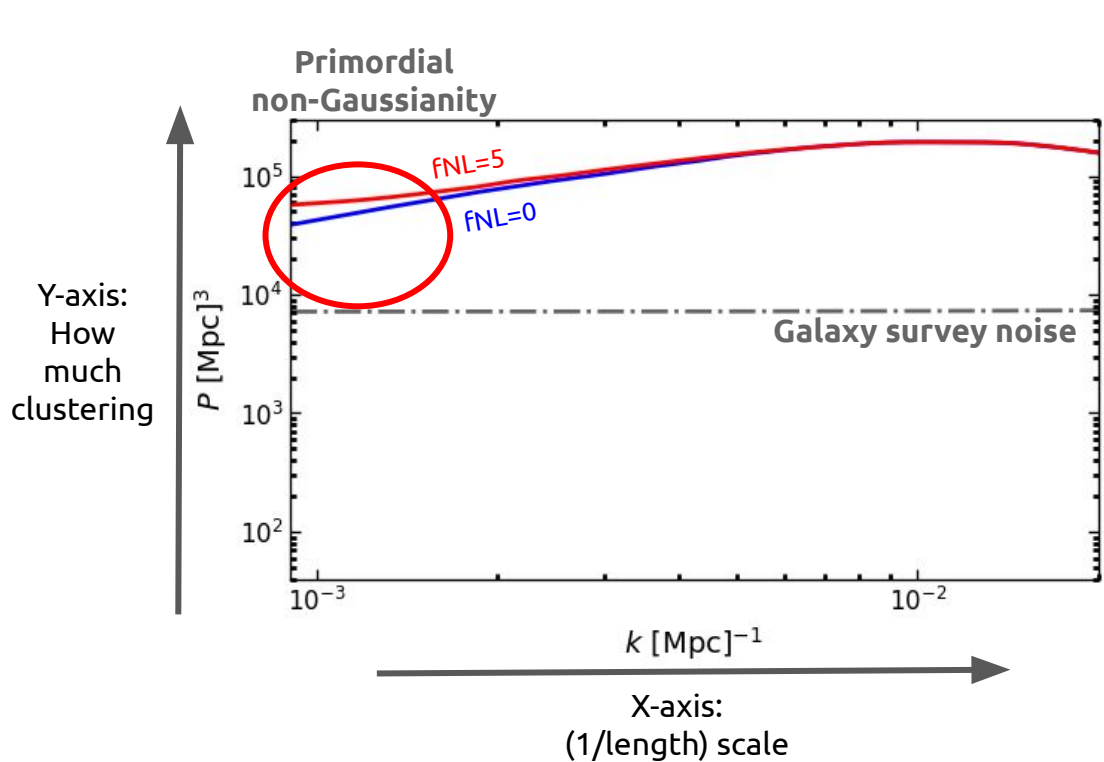
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- Current constraint from Planck CMB
 $\sigma(f_{\text{NL}}) \sim 5$

Sample variance limited

- Rubin/LSST
 $\sigma(f_{\text{NL}}) \sim 2$

Sample variance limited

- MFI generically predicts $f_{\text{NL}} \sim 1$

Can we improve large-scale clustering measurements beyond what galaxy surveys can measure?

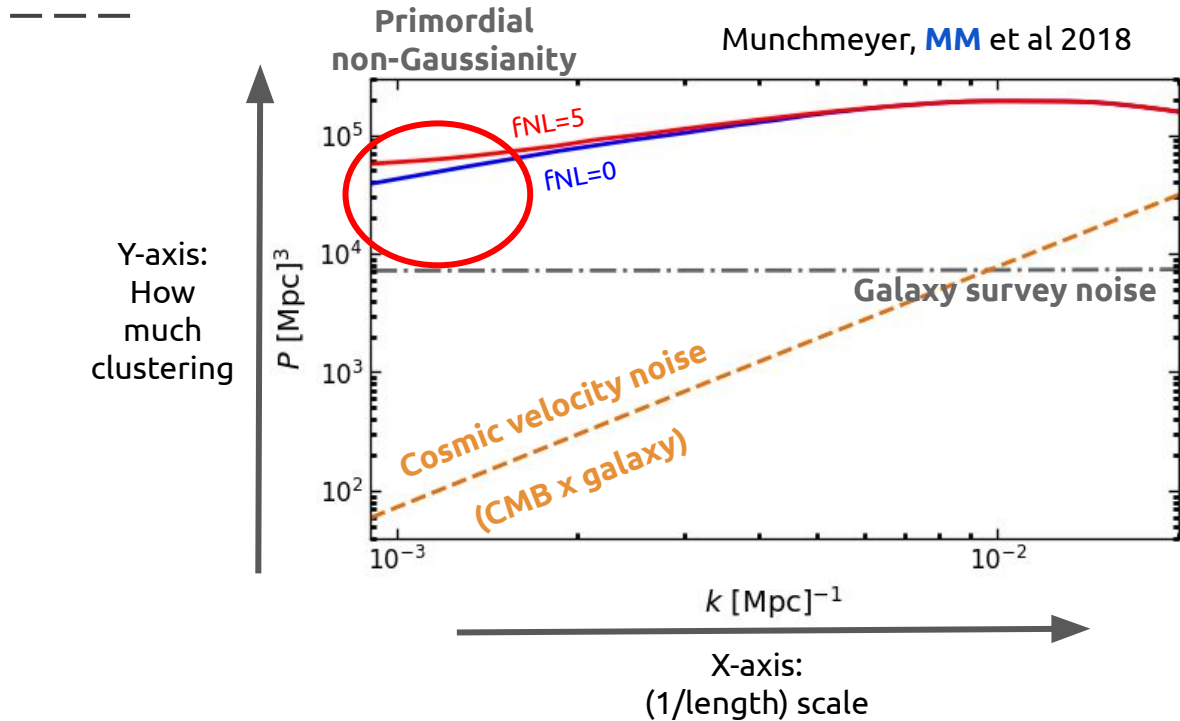
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Yes, by a lot!

New idea: reconstruct large scale velocity field using CMB imprint of moving clouds of electrons

Munchmeyer, [MM](#) et al, PRD 2018

Clustering of galaxies is scale-dependent on large scales in certain multi-field models of inflation, parameterized by f_{NL}



$$\delta_g = b_g \delta_m$$

$$v = \frac{b_v f a H}{k} \delta_m$$

Idea: ratio of (kSZ-)velocities and galaxies contains no matter field

$$v = \frac{b_v f a H}{k} \delta_m$$

With some
reconstruction noise

$$\delta_g = b_g(f_{\text{NL}}, k) \delta_m$$

With some shot noise

- Sample variance cancelled! Can measure bias **without sample variance**.
- Arbitrary improvement with CMB and galaxy survey noise improvement.
- Effectively done by measuring all auto and cross-correlations: **P_{gg}, P_{gv}, P_{vv}**
- **Not affected by scale-independent astrophysics (τ) marginalization!**

3x improvement in f_{NL} from CMB-S4 kSZ + LSST

Galaxy clustering (LSST)	Galaxy clustering + kSZ velocities
P_{gg}	$P_{\text{gg}}, P_{\text{gv}}, P_{\text{vv}}$
$\sigma(f_{\text{NL}}) = 1.5$	$\sigma(f_{\text{NL}}) = 1.0$
	$\sigma(f_{\text{NL}}) = 0.5$

Simons
Observatory

CMB-S4

Larger improvement than similar method from CMB lensing (Schmittfull, Seljak 2016) due to better correlation of velocities and galaxies